The Fourth Estate - our free press is essential to the democratic process. A move to approve media consolidation threatens the checks and balances afforded by a free press. Local control of media is important to airing local and regional issues and helps to hold our elected and appointed officials accountable.

I want rules in place that serve the public, rather than private, interest. I oppose taking a vote that leads to more media consolidation. On June 2nd, I urge you to retain the current ownership rules.

Thank you for taking a stand to protect our future.